**JESUS WAS TRIED IN OUR PLACE**

Mark 14:53-72 (Key verse 61b-62)

*Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?” / “I am,” said Jesus. “And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.”*

1. Where was Jesus taken and who was there (53-55a)? Who were the Sanhedrin (55)? What kind of evidence were they looking for (55)? What did they find? What verdict did the Sanhedrin eventually have in mind and how did they try to justify it (56-59)? What showed that their testimonies were false (59, Jn 2:19-22[[1]](#footnote-1))?
2. How did Jesus answer the false charges and why? (60-61a, Isa 53:7[[2]](#footnote-2)) What was the high priest’s other question and how did Jesus answer? (61b-62) Why did the high Priest ask this question? What does Jesus’ answer teach us about who he is and about the hope which we have in him (12:36[[3]](#footnote-3); Rev 1:7[[4]](#footnote-4))?
3. How did the high priest and Sanhedrin react to Jesus’ words of truth? (63-64a) What did they do to Jesus? (64b-65) What does this show about them?
4. In contrast to Jesus, how did Peter respond to questioning (66-71)? Why did he deny being with Jesus? What happened when the rooster crowed twice (72)? What does Peter’s weeping teach us about him and about Jesus’ words (14:30[[5]](#footnote-5))?

1. **John 2:19-22:** 19 Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days.” 20 They replied, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?” 21 But the temple he had spoken of was his body. 22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. **Isaiah 53:7:** He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. **Mark 12:36:** David himself, speaking by the Holy Spirit, declared: “‘The Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies under your feet.”’ [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. **Revelations 1:7:** “Look, he is coming with the clouds,” and “every eye will see him, even those who pierced him”; and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.” So shall it be! Amen. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. **Mark 14:30:** “Truly I tell you,” Jesus answered, “today—yes, tonight—before the rooster crows twice[a] you yourself will disown me three times. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)